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MINISTRY MAKES AMENDS TO ASBESTOS PLANT;
WOOD PULP OUTPUT DROPS SHARPLY

PLANT TO GET ASSISTANCE FROM MINISTRY -- Moscow, Izvestiya, 29 Sep 51

Lopatto, Director of the Yaroslavl' Industrial Asbestos Products Plant, criticized the Ministry of Chemical Industry for not helping the plant to get ahead, and Nikolayev, Deputy Minister, admitted that the criticism was well founded.

The Ministry of Chemical Industry has now suggested to the directors of the Yaroslavl' Tire Plant and the Yaroslavl' Industrial Rubber Products Plant that they release unconditionally the borrowed area belonging to the Yaroslavl' Industrial Asbestos Products Plant. It was also decided to assist this plant in the restoration of production, in housing construction, and in organizing the testing of brake products.

WOOD PULP CHEMICAL PRODUCTION DECLINES -- Moscow, Izvestiya, 17 May 51

Because of the liquidation of many industrial kolkhozes in Omsk Oblast, and their conversion to agricultural artels at the insistence of the rayon executive committees, the wood pulp chemical industry has suffered badly. The oblast has been deprived of the facilities of producing annually at least 290 tons of pine tar, 70 tons of red [crude?] turpentine, 240 tons of powdered calcium acetate, 28 tons of crude alcohol, 40 tons of birch tar, 10 tons of pine oil, 4,500 cubic meters of lumber, 60 tons of bast, and 70,000 mats and sacks. In 1950 alone, as a result of liquidation of industrial kolkhozes, the output of gross wood pulp chemical production decreased almost 3.5 million rubles.

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STEPS UP AMPULE OUTPUT -- Riga, Sovetskaya Latvya, 28 Dec 51

The Riga Pharmaceutical Chemical Plant has fulfilled its 1951 plan 124 percent. Radical changes have taken place at the plant in recent years. New equipment has been installed and the production of new medical preparations has been mastered. Output of some of these was several times the 1949 totals.

In 1951, output of the ampule shop increased 25 percent, and is now ten times the ampule production of bourgeois Latvia. The reduction of production costs in every operation has saved the shop almost 200,000 rubles.

CONSTRUCT NEW OXYGEN STATION -- Kishinev, Sovetskaya Moldaviya, 18 Aug 51

An oxygen station has been constructed in Tiraspol'. The Bendery SMU (Construction and Installation Administration) of Moldsel stroy /Moldavian Agricultural Construction Trust?/ has carried out the construction speedily.

This is the first such station in the republic. It will furnish oxygen to the workshops of the MTS and sovkhoses. Productivity will be 500 tanks of oxygen per month. Personnel have been trained for the station. Recently a group of specialists returned from Odessa, where they had taken courses.

MAKES 500 KILOGRAMS OF DRY ICE DAILY -- Tbilisi, Zarya Vostoka, 26 Jul 51

The Tbilisi Carbon Dioxide Plant of the Georgian Mineral Waters Trust puts out more than 500 kilograms of dry ice daily for the Tbilisi Refrigeration Combine, stores, and public eating enterprises.

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